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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

1. ROMANIAN TELEVISION HAS BEEN RUNNING THE AMERICAN TV SERIES "COLUMBO" FOR PAST SEVERAL MONTHS AND IT HAS PROVED TO BE MOST POPULAR SERIES EVER CARRIED. LAST PROGRAM WILL BE MAY 15.

2. ROMANIAN TV REQUESTS A SHORT TWO TO THREE-MINUTE OPTICAL 16-MM SOUND FILM CLIP OF STAR PETER FALK, WHICH WOULD BE RUN AT END OF FINAL PROGRAM, ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: "ALL OF US WHO HAVE WORKED ON THE COLUMBO TELEVISION PROGRAM WANT OUR ROMANIAN VIEWERS TO KNOW THAT WE WARMLY APPRECIATE THE POPULARITY THE SHOW HAS ACHIVED IN YOUR COUNTRY. WE HAVE RECEIVED MANY REPORTS HERE IN THE UNITED STATES ABOUT HOW MANY PEOPLE WATCH OUR PROGRAM ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. (N.B. COLUMBO IS SO POPULAR THAT IT IS RUN ON SATURDAY NIGHT AND REPEATED ON SUNDAY.) WE REGRET THAT THE SERIES HAS NOW COME TO AN END, BUT WE HOPE THAT SOME DAY IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE WE MAY AGAIN PUT TOGETHER A TV SHOW THAT WILL BE JUST AS POPULAR IN ROMANIA. IT'S A GRATIFYING FEELING FOR A PERFORMER SUCH AS MYSELF TO HAVE HIS EFFORTS APPRECIATED, AND I'D LIKE TO THANK ROMANIAN TV FOR MAKING THIS POSSIBLE. NOROC SI LA REVEDERE."

3. TV WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH FOR FALK TO END WITH A BRIEF PHRASE

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IN ROMANIAN, AS INDICATED ABOVE. PERHAPS A VOA ROMANIAN SERVICE

ANNOUNCER COULD SPELL THE PHRASE PHONETICALLY TO AID FALK.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF ABOVE POSSIBLE, AND IF DEVELOPED FILM CAN
BE HERE IN TIME FOR MAY 15 PROGRAM. POST STRONGLY CONCURS TV
REQUEST.

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